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sophia

gubaidulina

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Alex Pauk • conductor

Friedrich Lips • bayan – Paul Widner • cello

Robert Aitken • flute – Louise Bessette • piano

The presence of guest composer Sophia Gubaidulina makes Esprit's concert a very special event – one involving an artist of the highest stature on the world stage. Her composition *Seven Words* refers directly to two works, an oratorio by Schütz and a set of movements for orchestra by Haydn, both entitled *The Seven Last Words of Our Savior on the Cross*. The spatial aspect of Current's *Concertino* is integral to the charm of this piece which was specially composed for the virtuosity of Robert Aitken. Also having a work specially composed for her, Louise Bessette gives the second performance of Arcuri's concerto following its premiere with I Musici de Montréal several weeks earlier.

Sophia Gubaidulina *Seven Words*

Brian Current *Concertino*

Sophia Gubaidulina *De Profundis*

Serge Arcuri *La forêt des clameurs*

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